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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

**Group 2700** 

Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on December 10, 1999. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claim 62.

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## REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on December 10, 1999, and the references cited therewith.

Claim 62 is canceled. As a result, claims 22-32, 59-61 and 63-65 are now pending in this application.

Applicant submits that claim 63 is fully supported by the specification. For example, support for the second multiplexer appears at a minimum in the original specification at page 26, line 15 to page 27, line 3, and in the Figures at Figure 10.

With respect to the request of paragraph 3 of the Office Action, Applicant has already updated the information, and will continue to update throughout prosecution if the status of any of the applications or patents changes.

Substantial differences clearly exist in the scope of the claims. Applicant submits that each independent claim has its own different subject matter or scope. Claims 22-32 are specifically directed to a memory circuit with a selected mode control signal. The remaining claims are directed to different subject matter. Each and every limitation must be considered when determining differences in the claims. Each difference creates different subject matter and